

Cooper goes to hospital after being concussed at Wycombe

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MICKY COOPER, Hendon full-back, was detained in High Wycombe Hospital after being led off, slightly concussed, during their goalless draw with hot Isthmian League title contenders Wycombe Wanderers at Loakes Park on Monday, writes John Pollard.

Cooper was hurt in a melee in the dying minutes.

Said Hendon physiotherapist John Muir: "Micky will probably be detained for observation for 24 hours—a routine precautionary measure."

Another Hendon casualty was skipper David Hogwood, who retired at half-time with a badly bruised shin and was replaced by substitute Ray Poole.

Hendon, with Bobby Wilson left out of the attack, gave a spirited performance, and produced the best scoring attempts in a game of few opportunities.

Rod Haider burst into the penalty area and fired a shot which rebounded from the head of lucky goalkeeper John Maskell after 10 minutes.

Determined

The second bold effort came from Peter Anderson in the 21st minute. Receiving a long pass from Cooper, Anderson stormed on and hit a tremendous drive which grazed the near post.

Len McKendry was very con-

spicuous and showed determination in checking the progress of Welsh amateur international striker Geoff Anthony, as Wycombe pressed for a quick goal to enhance their championship hopes.

With McKendry and David Shacklock covering effectively, Wycombe's slick approach work proved of no avail.

Hendon's forwards showed plenty of determination in solo runs, but there was a lack of co-ordination in their play, and a midfield stalemate developed in the second half.

Goalkeeper John Swannell coped confidently as Wycombe at last showed penetration and pressed strongly for the winner in the closing stages.

Wycombe Wanderers.—J. Maskell, I. Rundle, C. Gale, P. Sudaby, J. Delaney, J. Lalley, G. Anthony, B. Baker, K. Searle, K. Blunt, J. Hutchinson. Sub: V. Faulkner.

Hendon.—J. Swannell, D. Hogwood, M. Cooper, D. Shacklock, L. McKendry, R. Haider, P. Anderson, K. Jameson, J. Baker, J. Wilson, P. Collett. Sub: R. Poole.